

**Amendment No. 2 to SB2079**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 2079\*****House Bill No. 2198**

by deleting all language following the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-910, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) In addition to any other disclosure required by this part, prior to the admission of a resident to a nursing home or prior to the execution of a contract for the care of a resident in a nursing home, whichever occurs first, the nursing home shall disclose in writing to the resident or to the resident's guardian, conservator or representative, if any, that the facility does not have:

- (1) a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the facility;
- (2) a smoke detector or alarm in each patient room; or
- (3) neither a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the facility nor a smoke detector or alarm in each patient room.

Such disclosure shall be made on a form separate from the contract for the care of the resident and shall be printed in bold type and in no less than size twelve (12) font. The form must be signed by the resident or the resident's guardian, conservator or representative, if any, and the signature must be witnessed. If the resident cannot read, the form must be read aloud to the resident. If the facility maintains an internet website, the disclosure must also be made on that internet website.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

§ 68-11-257. In addition to any other disclosure required by this part, prior to the admission of a resident to an assisted-care living facility regulated pursuant to this chapter or prior to the execution of a contract for the care of a resident in such a facility,

whichever occurs first, the facility shall disclose in writing to the resident or to the resident's guardian, conservator or representative, if any, that the facility does not have:

- (1) a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the facility;
- (2) a smoke detector or alarm in each patient room; or
- (3) neither a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the facility nor a smoke detector or alarm in each patient room.

Such disclosure shall be made on a form separate from the contract for the care of the resident and shall be printed in bold type and in no less than size twelve (12) font. The form must be signed by the resident or the resident's guardian, conservator or representative, if any, and the signature must be witnessed. If the resident cannot read, the form must be read aloud to the resident. If the facility maintains an internet website, the disclosure must also be made on that internet website.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-254(a), is amended by deleting the word "and" at the end of subdivision (1); by deleting the period at the end of subdivision (2) and substituting instead a semi-colon and the word "and"; and by adding the following language as a new subdivision to be designated as follows:

- (3) A statement that the facility does not have: (1) a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the facility; (2) a smoke detector or alarm in each patient room; or (3) neither a fire suppression sprinkler system throughout the facility nor a smoke detector or alarm in each patient room.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect thirty (30) days after becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it